

Office of the Auditor General REPORT SUMMARY

Financial Audit

Including the Provisions of the Single Audit Act

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Michigan Department of Education

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A Single Audit is designed to meet the needs of all financial report users, including an entity's federal grantor agencies. The audit determines if the financial schedules and/or financial statements are fairly presented; considers internal control over financial reporting and internal control over federal program compliance; determines compliance with requirements material to the financial schedules and/or financial statements; and assesses compliance with direct and material requirements of the major federal programs.

Financial Schedules and Financial Statements:

Auditor's Reports Issued

We issued unqualified opinions on the Michigan Department of Education's (MDE's) financial schedules and on the School Aid Fund's financial statements.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting We identified significant deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting (Findings 1 and 2). We consider Finding 1 to be a material weakness.

Noncompliance or Other Matters Material to the Financial Schedules and/or Financial Statements

We did not identify any instances of noncompliance or other matters applicable to the financial schedules and/or financial statements that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Federal Awards:

Auditor's Reports Issued on Compliance

We audited 15 programs as major programs and issued 15 unqualified opinions. The federal programs audited as major programs are identified on the back of this summary.

Internal Control Over Major Programs

We identified significant deficiencies related to internal control over major programs (Findings 3 through 13). We do not consider these significant deficiencies to be material weaknesses.

Required Reporting of Noncompliance

We identified instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported in accordance with the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133 (Findings 3 through 13).

Systems of Accounting and Internal Control:

We determined that MDE was in substantial compliance with Sections 18.1483 - 18.1487 of the *Michigan Compiled Laws*.

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We audited the following programs as major programs:

|                    |                                              | Compliance  |
|--------------------|----------------------------------------------|-------------|
| CFDA Number        | Program or Cluster Title                     | Opinion     |
| 10.553, 10.555,    | Child Nutrition Cluster                      | Unqualified |
| 10.556, and 10.559 |                                              |             |
| 84.010             | Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies | Unqualified |
| 84.011             | Migrant Education - State Grant Program      | Unqualified |
| 84.027 and 84.173  | Special Education Cluster (IDEA)             | Unqualified |
| 84.186             | Safe and Drug-Free Schools and               | Unqualified |
|                    | Communities - State Grants                   |             |
| 84.196             | Education for Homeless Children and Youth    | Unqualified |
| 84.282             | Charter Schools                              | Unqualified |
| 84.287             | Twenty-First Century Community Learning      | Unqualified |
|                    | Centers                                      |             |
| 84.298             | State Grants for Innovative Programs         | Unqualified |
| 84.318             | Education Technology State Grants            | Unqualified |
| 84.332             | Comprehensive School Reform Demonstration    | Unqualified |
| 84.357             | Reading First State Grants                   | Unqualified |
| 84.365             | English Language Acquisition Grants          | Unqualified |
| 84.366             | Mathematics and Science Partnerships         | Unqualified |
| 84.367             | Improving Teacher Quality State Grants       | Unqualified |

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